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who refuses to sign the certificate of release is nevertheless bound by the conditions set forth in that certificate.

- (b) Special conditions of release. (1) The Commission may impose a condition other than one of the general conditions of release if the Commission determines that such condition is necessary to protect the public from further crimes by the release and to provide adequate supervision of the releasee. Examples of special conditions of release that the Commission frequently imposes are found at §2.204(b)(2).
- (2) If the Commission requires the releasee's participation in a drug-treatment program, the releasee must submit to a drug test before release and to at least two other drug tests, as determined by the supervision officer. A decision not to impose this special condition, because available information indicates a low risk of future substance abuse by the releasee, shall constitute good cause for suspension of the drug testing requirements of 18 U.S.C. 4209(a). A grant of parole or reparole is contingent upon the prisoner passing all pre-release drug tests administered by the Bureau of Prisons.
- (c) Changing conditions of release. The provisions of §2.204(c) apply.
- (d) Appeal. A releasee may appeal under §2.26 an order to impose or modify a release condition not later than 30 days after the date the condition is imposed or modified.
- (e) Application of release conditions to absconder. The provisions of §2.204(d) apply.
- (f) Revocation for possession of a controlled substance. If the Commission finds after a revocation hearing that a releasee, released after December 31, 1988, has possessed a controlled substance, the Commission shall revoke parole or mandatory release. If such a releasee fails a drug test, the Commission shall consider appropriate alternatives to revocation. The Commission shall not revoke parole on the basis of a single, unconfirmed positive drug test, if the releasee challenges the test result and there is no other violation found by the Commission to justify revocation.
- (g) Supervision officer guidance. The provisions of § 2.204(f) apply.

- (h) Definitions. For purposes of this section—
- (1) The terms supervision officer, domestic violence crime, approved offender-rehabilitation program and firearm, as used in §2.204, have the meanings given those terms by §2.204(g);
- (2) The term *releasee*, as used in this section and in §2.204 means a person convicted of a federal offense who has been released on parole or released through good-time deduction; and
- (3) The term *certificate of release*, as used in this section and §2.204, means the certificate of parole or mandatory release delivered to the prisoner under §2.29.

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§2.41 Travel approval.

- (a) The probation officer may approve travel outside the district without approval of the Commission in the following situations:
- (1) Vacation trips not to exceed thirty days.
- (2) Trips, not to exceed thirty days, to investigate reasonably certain employment possibilities.
- (3) Recurring travel across a district boundary, not to exceed fifty miles outside the district, for purpose of employment, shopping, or recreation.
- (b) Specific advance approval by the Commission is required for all foreign travel, employment requiring recurring travel more than fifty miles outside the district (except employment at offshore locations), and vacation travel outside the district exceeding thirty days. A request for such permission shall be in writing and must demonstrate a substantial need for such travel.
- (c) A special condition imposed by the Regional Commissioner prohibiting certain travel shall supersede any general rules relating to travel as set forth above.

[42 FR 39809, Aug. 5, 1977, as amended at 44 FR 3408, Jan. 16, 1979; 48 FR 9247, Mar. 4, 1983; 57 FR 59916, Dec. 17, 1992]

§ 2.42 Probation officer's reports to

A supervision report shall be submitted by the responsible probation officer to the Commission for each parolee after the completion of 24 months

of continuous supervision and annually thereafter. The probation officer shall submit such additional reports as the Commission may direct.

[51 FR 11017, Apr. 1, 1986]

§2.43 Early termination.

- (a)(1) Upon its own motion or upon request of a parolee, the Commission may terminate a parolee's supervision, and legal custody over the parolee, before the sentence expires.
- (2) The Commission may terminate supervision of a committed youth offender after the offender serves one year on supervision. Upon terminating supervision before the sentence expires, the Commission shall set aside the committed youth offender's conviction and issue a certificate setting aside the conviction instead of a certificate of termination.
- (b) Two years after releasing a prisoner on supervision, and at least annually thereafter, the Commission shall review the status of the parolee to determine the need for continued supervision. The Commission shall also conduct a status review whenever the supervision officer recommends early termination of the parolee's supervision.
- (c) Five years after releasing a prisoner on supervision, the Commission shall terminate supervision over the parolee unless the Commission determines, after a hearing conducted in accordance with the procedures prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 4214(a)(2), that such supervision should not be terminated because there is a likelihood that the parolee will engage in conduct violating any criminal law. If the Commission does not terminate supervision under this paragraph, the parolee may request a hearing annually thereafter, and the Commission shall conduct an early termination hearing at least every two years.
- (d) In calculating the two-year and five-year periods provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, the Commission shall not include any period of parole before the most recent release, or any period served in confinement on any other sentence.
- (e) A parolee may appeal an adverse decision under paragraph (c) of this section under §2.26 or §2.27 as applicable

- (f) If the case is designated for the original jurisdiction of the Commission, a decision to terminate supervision under paragraphs (a)(2) and (b) of this section, or a decision to terminate or continue supervision under paragraph (c) of this section shall be made under the provisions of §2.17.
- (g)(1) In determining whether to grant early termination from supervision, the Commission shall consider the guidelines of this paragraph. The guidelines are advisory and the Commission may disregard the outcome indicated by the guidelines based on case-specific factors. Termination of supervision is indicated if the parolee:
- (i) Has a salient factor score in the very good risk category and has completed two continuous years of supervision free from an incident of new criminal behavior or serious parole violation; or
- (ii) Has a salient factor score in a risk category other than very good and has completed three continuous years of supervision free from an incident of new criminal behavior or serious parole violation.
- (2) As used in this paragraph (g), the term "an incident of new criminal behavior or serious parole violation" includes a new arrest or report of a parole violation if supported by substantial evidence of guilt, even if no conviction or parole revocation results. The Commission shall not terminate supervision of a parolee until it determines the disposition of a pending criminal charge.
- (h) Case-specific factors that may justify a departure either above or below the early termination guidelines may relate to the current behavior of the parolee, or to the parolee's background and criminal history.

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§2.44 Summons to appear or warrant for retaking of parolee.

- (a) If a parolee is alleged to have violated the conditions of his release, and satisfactory evidence thereof is presented, the Commission or a member thereof may:
- (1) Issue a summons requiring the offender to appear for a preliminary interview or local revocation hearing.